

"Express Mail" mailing label number EL500979952US

Date of Deposit: April 24, 2001

Our Case No.: 10932/162

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Jes Thyssen et al.

Serial No.: To Be Assigned

Filing Date: Herewith

For: SILENCE DESCRIPTION CODING
FOR MULTI-RATE SPEECH
CODECS

Examiner: To Be Assigned

Group Art Unit No.: To Be Assigned

JC973 U.S. PTO
09/841764
04/24/01



INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed documents required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

The references now cited are the following:

No.	Date	Name
5,546,395	August 1996	Sharma et al.
5,553,243	09/03/1996	Harrison et al.
5,592,586	January 1997	Maitra et al.
5,632,005	May 1997	Davis et al.
5,687,184	November 1997	Lorenz et al.
5,778,338	July 1998	Jacobs et al.
5,812,965	September 1998	Massaloux
5,812,966	September 1998	Byun et al.

WO92/22891	1992-12-23	WO
O680034A1	1995-04-25	EP
WO98/15946	1998-04-16	WO
	Sept./Oct. 1994	Erdal Paksoy et al.
	September 1997	Adil Benyassine et al.
	January 1990	A. Reibman et al.
	October 1996	F. Dellaert et al.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g),(h), this Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the receipt of the first Official Action reflecting an examination on the merits and hence is believed to be timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b). No fees are believed to be due in connection with filing of this Information Disclosure Statement, however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to these material, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed.

This application is a continuation application of U.S. Serial No. 09/200,624, filed November 30, 1998 and is relied upon for an earlier filing dated under 35 U.S.C. § 120. In accordance with Rule 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d) only copies of documents not previously cited and submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office in the prior application Serial No. 09/200,624 are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

Applicant(s) respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in
the present case.

Respectfully submitted,



Matthew J. Kelly
Registration No. 42,716
Attorney for Applicant(s)

BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE
P.O. Box 10395
Chicago, IL 60610
(312) 321-4200